Selectmen/Assessor's Meeting Summary October 24, 2018

In attendance: Select Board – Wesley Daniel, Tom Johnston, and Berkley Linscott; CEO – Bob Temple; Town Clerk/Treasurer – Mary Anderson; Public: Kit Lascoutx, Brian Alves, Stanley Millay, Denise Hylton, Joan Hayward, Frank Jones, Jr. Steve Ocean

Wesley Daniel called the meeting to order at 7:00PM.

Tom Johnston moved to accept the summary from 10/17/18 as presented, Berkley Linscott seconded, all in favor.

Tom Johnston moved to pay the warrants \$3,925.34/payroll and \$7,901.44/vendor. Berkley Linscott seconded, all in favor.

Road Foreman Report – Wesley Daniel read the Road Foreman Report: 10/15 – Merton Moore helped dig out culverts on Fitch and Calderwood Roads, unplugged Skidmore and Vanner Road culverts plugged by beavers, lined up center bearing and shortened bed chain on P-500; 10/16 – Called out for down trees in roads town wide, unplugged culverts plugged by beavers; 10/17 – put rear brakes on overload hanger on p-200, unplugged culverts again, called Neal Shuman and Peter Carpenter about trapping the beavers, met with Orff Realty for driveway entrance; 10/18 – put headgear on P-100, P-200 and P-300, unplugged culverts again, called for down trees. Frank Jones, Jr. bought up the issue of the beavers damning up the culverts explaining the cost would be \$15.00/hr and \$55.00 a beaver (recommended by Neal Shuman) to remove them. Some discussion ensued asking if the beavers can be relocated instead of trapped and possibly drowning in a trap. Frank stated they do try to relocate the beavers. There are six locations beavers are building damns; the Fitch and Calderwood culverts are too big to screen to deter beavers. Tom Johnston moved to hire for removal of beavers for Calderwood and Fitch Roads, Berkley Linscott seconded, all in favor. Frank will report back after one week.

Stanley Millay, Assessor's Agent, presented the State Audit Report to the Selectmen. Stanley explained that by increasing the land price schedule will help correct the percentages. He made up proposed changes on the land pricing schedule as well as adjusting outbuilding schedule. Stanley will increase his hours, at the office, to rectify the scheduling also sending a mailing to explain the changes to the town residents. Tom Johnston moved to adjust the land price schedule as recommended, Wesley Daniel seconded, all in favor.

CEO Report – Bob Temple stated the letter to Bill Reinhart was mailed yesterday. If he does not schedule an inspection and pay the fee on time it will be considered an abandoned pit. All the other reports are done and will be sent with invoice either electronically or through the mail. Bob is still checking the trees along the shoreline after any wind storms. Bob is doing a lot of septic inspections before the cold weather. The Condon Appeal will be withdrawn, according to their lawyer, and work on an agreement where they can bring the whole place into compliance within six months.

Brian Alves, Health Officer, spoke with the mom about the issue brought to his attention through DHHS, last week. She is no longer living on the property so the question of the child's safety has been resolved. Brian spoke with Drexel White and Megan Hill at DHHS and they thanked he and the town for getting involved and will follow up. Brian appreciates being allowed to speak after Bob Temple at the Selectmen's meeting. Bob Temple will follow up with the plumbing issues on the property discussed above.

Town Clerk/Treasurer Report – Mary Anderson stated the Rabies Clinic held Saturday vaccinated 25 dogs. Joan Hayward will be appointed as Deputy Town Clerk, Deputy Treasurer, and Deputy Tax Collector on Friday, October 26. Mary brought Absentee Ballots to Washington Manor this week. Bank balance \$ 926,269.10. A street light out on Medolark Road, pole #23, was reported to CMP.

Tom Johnston moved to change the hourly rate, after the first hour, to \$20.00 for FOAA, Berkley Linscott seconded, all in favor.

July bank statement signed.

Kit Lascoutx stated we budgeted for Mid-Coast Regional Planning dues (\$600.00), he strongly suggests not to pay the dues until they produce on helping us with the Comprehensive Plan (request put in 2-3 months ago). Wesley Daniel stated that if nothing gets done by the end of the year it will go into surplus and be appropriated next March. Leticia VanVuuren Mohan, Knox County EMA, is working on our Hazard Mitigation Plan. Kit would like to meet with someone regarding the plan within the next two weeks. There is a new National Incident Reporting System, Kit will go over the resources we have in town with Donald Grinnell.

Wesley Daniel reported that he redid the Worker's Comp using the 1% increase. We should work on a couple of policies needed.

Tree work for McDowell Cemetery is being done now. The tree work for West Washington Cemetery will be delayed because the crane guy is heading to FL for two weeks.

Denise Hylton stated there will be an Election Training tomorrow at 5:30. Denise arranged, with Elections, that we will take our ballots to the Town of Palermo, then to Town of China for the currier to pick up at a central location.

Wesley Daniel stated that the Articles for the Special Town Meeting scheduled for November 28 need to be written.

Questions and Comments

Tom Johnston motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:48.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Anderson